

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 639

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

**Karyn E. Polito**

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the Glavin Regional Center Facility and Land Re-use Committee.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

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DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

11th Worcester

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

## AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE GLAVIN REGIONAL CENTER FACILITY AND LAND RE-USE COMMITTEE.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1       SECTION 1. There is hereby established a Glavin Regional Center Facility and Land Re-  
2 use Committee. The Re-use Committee shall include the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen,  
3 who shall serve as chair of said Re-use committee, Chairman of the Planning Board, who shall  
4 serve as vice-chair of said Re-use committee, the Commissioner of the Massachusetts  
5 Department of Developmental Services or his designee, a resident of Glavin, who shall be  
6 selected by the parent association of the Glavin residents, the Commissioner of the Division of  
7 Capital Asset Management and Maintenance or his designee, 7 residents of Shrewsbury to be  
8 appointed by the chair and vice-chair of the Re-Use Committee, a representative of the  
9 Massachusetts Nursing Association, the State Representative from the 11th Worcester District,  
10 and the State Senator from the Second Worcester District. The Re-use Committee shall be  
11 responsible for representing the interests of the community in all negotiations with the Division  
12 of Capital Asset Maintenance and Management and the Department of Developmental Services  
13 about the reuse and future development of the facilities and land at the Glavin Regional Center.  
14 The Re-use Committee shall, with the assistance of the Division of Capital Asset Maintenance  
15 and Management, develop a Comprehensive Re-use Consensus Plan for Glavin Regional Center  
16 Property, which shall provide a detailed description, by parcel, of how the property is to be used  
17 and / or developed upon closure of the Glavin Regional Center. The Plan shall be limited  
18 exclusively to re-use and development for individuals requiring the services of the Department of  
19 Developmental Services, Commercial and/or Industrial economic development, and preservation  
20 of open space. The Plan may also provide for parcels of land, and specific facilities, to remain  
21 under the control of the Department of Developmental Services. In its deliberations, the Re-use  
22 Committee will be mindful of the rights of current Glavin residents, and their need for adequate  
23 and appropriate housing, clinical services, and appropriate staffing provided by the Department  
24 of Developmental Services. The Re-use Committee shall follow a process that will be

25 determined by a majority vote of its members and shall include a public hearing at the beginning  
26 of the process to solicit comments, ideas and re-use proposals. The Re-use committee shall meet  
27 as necessary to complete said reuse plan, as determined by a majority vote of the committee.